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TEACHERS COLLEGE DEAN PASSES AWAY

SCHOLAR AND GENTLEMAN

Tribute Paid Late Dean Williston Samuel Hough by a Former Pupil

THE sudden death of Dean Hough, of Teachers' College, was announced in one of the local dailies several days prior to the opening of the University. The sad tidings fell like a thunderbolt from a clear sky upon the teachers and students of all the departments of the University, and particularly upon those of Teachers' College, whose extreme fortune it was to be honored by his association, friendship, instruction, and supervision. During his comparatively short affiliation with the college—seven years—he gained the love and reverence of the faculty and of the students, most of whom are the teachers, principals, and supervisors of the schools of this city.

Williston Samuel Hough would have been fifty-two years on the first of the coming December (according to vol. VII of Who's Who in America). He was born in Williston, Vt., where he received his earlier education. His first college degree of Ph. B. was conferred upon him by the Michigan Agricultural College when he was twenty-one. For the next three years he pursued post graduate studies at the University of Michigan where he obtained his Master's degree. He then went to Europe where he studied at the Universities of Heidelberg, Halle, Berlin, Paris, and Oxford, and in 1888, upon his return to this country, he became instructor of philosophy at the University of Michigan. From 1889 to 1894 he served first as assistant and later as professor of philosophy at the University of Minnesota. For six years more he again studied at Oxford and Berlin, doing research work in the history of philosophy and devoting much time to literary work. He first became connected with The George Washington University in 1907 as professor of psychology and education in charge of the education department. On June 1, 1909, he was made dean of Teachers' College which owes much of its success to his untiring effort and constant devotion.

He was a member of many of the learned societies of the country, such as the American Philosophical Association, National Association of College Teachers of Education, Southern Society of Psychology and Philosophy, and Federal Schoolmen's Club (President 1911-1912). He was a fellow of the A. A. A. S. His name appears upon the membership books of the

Cosmos, University, and Chevy Chase Clubs.

Prof. Hough enjoyed an excellent literary career. He was the translator of "A Critique of Kant" (From the German of Kuno Fischer) 1888, and, in 1909, in collaboration with Prof. W. R. Royce, he translated Rudolf Eucken's great German work on "The Problem of Human Life" as viewed by the Great Thinkers from Plato to the Present Time. He was the editor of Erdmann's History of Philosophy (3 volumes) 1890, third edition 1898. He contributed frequently to many magazines and periodicals on philosophy and education.

To those who knew him his merits need no lauding. His deep learning, his gentle modesty, his broad sympathies, his unfailing courtesy, and his high sense of justice will never be forgotten by them.

As a tribute to his memory the following recently appeared in the Washington Herald:

"Tribute to the Late Dean W. S. Hough"

"To the Editor: Permit me to express a few words of comment at the sudden death of Dean Williston Samuel Hough, of Teachers' College, George Washington University.

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EDITOR ANNUAL RESIGNS

G. W. Calver Relinquishes Cherry Tree in Letter to Class Presidents

IN spite of the handicap of not having an editor, work on the Cherry Tree has already begun. Plans are already under way to put out a much better book than last year. Every Cherry Tree will be bound with a leather cover this year. No other books will be put out.

All the management wish is the hearty cooperation of the student body. It is hoped that more students of the other departments will take interest in the annual this year than did the last. The Cherry Tree is not only for students of Columbian College, but also for those of Law, Medicine, and the various other colleges of the University.

By the end of this week subscription blanks will be out. Put

in your sub. now. Don't wait until the last minute, for then you are not liable to do it at all.

President English, of the Association of Class Presidents, has recently received a letter from Mr. G. W. Calver with his resignation as editor of the 1913 Cherry Tree. Mr. Calver was graduated last year in medicine and was coming to College this year to take up a course.

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ARCHITECTURE COURSES

University Resumes Instruction Discontinued for Two Years

AS announced last spring, a four-year course in Architecture leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science in Architecture has been resumed this year. This course was given by the University for many years but had to be discontinued in 1910 because of lack of suitable quarters. All of the independent schools of architecture in the District have been merged with the University. All the architects in the city have given material aid to the re-establishment of the course while the co-operation of the Corcoran Gallery of Art and of the Atelier of the Washington Architectural Club are also assured.

The revival of the architectural courses were made possible by a fund of \$1,000, which was raised by subscriptions. Of this fund \$200 was subscribed by the local Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. Mr. H. J. Parsons, of the Library of Congress, donated \$100 to the fund. \$700 was raised by individual subscription of Washington architects.

The instructors in the new course were all connected with the University last year with the exception of Professor Percy Ash. Professor Ash was Dean of the former Architectural school conducted by the University and when the architectural courses were suspended in 1910 he became an instructor of Architecture in the University of Michigan. The various architectural courses will be conducted as follows: Architectural Drawing, Architectural Design, Pen and Ink Rendering and Shades, Shadows and Perspective, by Professor Ash, assisted by Mr. P. R. Hooten. History of Architecture and Water Color by Professor A. B. Bibb;

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GYM FACILITIES NOW AVAILABLE

Y. M. C. A. MAKES FINE OFFER

Combination Membership for \$5 Gives Students Athletic Privileges

GYMNASIUM facilities are now within reach of the men students of the University by virtue of an arrangement concluded between the Student Y. M. C. A. and the Central Association. A combination membership in both branches of the Y. M. C. A. is offered during the College year for five dollars. This membership includes whatever privileges of a social nature either branch of the Association affords, as well as a number of admissions to the splendid gymnasium and swimming-pool of the main Y. M. C. A. Building and all the athletic privileges of the place, within the specified number of admissions. The entire offer is conditional upon the securing of at least fifty members.

These arrangements are the result of negotiations begun last spring and inaugurated at the annual George Washington-Y. M. C. A. Banquet. The main Association has been anxious for some time to extend its work in colleges and an opportunity suggested itself when George Washington University moved its headquarters to a building only three short blocks away. A committee composed of L. A. Maxson, D. C. Smith, A. H. Redfield, and R. M. Dunbar conferred with the Y. M. C. A. authorities early in August and drew up a tentative plan of arrangements which were accepted with but few modifications by the Central Association. The student committee on its part, recognizing the value of the concessions given by the Central Association, undertook to furnish the required number of members.

The privileges granted by this offer are of two kinds: social and athletic. The social privileges, aside from the men's lounging room in the basement of the University Building, which the Student Y. M. C. A. will shortly have fitted up and furnished with current numbers of several magazines, include all the library, reading-room, bowling-alley, musical, and other facilities of the Association Building, as well as membership in the camera clubs, debating societies, and other social organizations fostered by the Association. All social privileges are thrown open without reserve to the members of the college Y. M. C. A.

The athletic privileges comprise the gymnasium, the swimming-pool, the track and all the athletic facilities that the Association offers to

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its members. Holders of the combination membership cards will not be limited with respect to the number of privileges that they may enjoy; it is only that they are limited in the number of times they may exercise the athletic privileges. Eighty admissions to the gymnasium, track, pool, and other athletic facilities are granted during the college year, each member will be given a card which will be punched every time he goes into the gymnasium. The membership expires at the end of the academic year. No special time is prescribed, but the member may use the gymnasium at his own convenience.

A number of students have already shown their appreciation of this advantageous offer by signing the membership blanks which may be obtained at Dean Wilbur's office or from the bulletin board, but the membership of fifty which is required to make this offer effective has not yet been obtained. A definite membership list of at least fifty must be in the hands of President Maxson within the next week to report to the Central Y. M. C. A. If you have not the money in your pocket at this moment, you can at least sign up a blank and hand it to one of the students designated to receive them or leave it in Dean Wilbur's office.

The terms of the offer are within the reach of every student. The members of the George Washington Y. M. C. A. are not limited to any particular hours of admission, but may exercise their privileges whenever they find it convenient. Afternoon students as well as morning students may enjoy the benefits of this offer, and several of the former, realizing this, have promised to join. The Association Building is within three minutes' distance of the quarters of the Department of Arts and Sciences and within fifteen minutes' distance from the Departments of Law and Medicine. There will be ample opportunity for the student whose program permits it to run over to the gymnasium, swimming-pool, bowling-alley, or reading-room between classes.

Members of the Track Team and those who contemplate participation in any form of athletics will find this offer decidedly advantageous. It was on the Y. M. C. A. track that Johnnie Fleming developed that facility for getting over the ground in a minimum of time, to say nothing of several of our other stars on the cinder path. Now that this track is accessible to every student we may well expect the HATCHETITE runners to show our competitors something in the meets this year.

The one thing lacking to the male George Washington student, namely, opportunity for athletic development, this offer gives to him the chance to keep that physical well-being that is so necessary to the student is now within reach. For those students especially whose work keeps them in an office all day and who must then devote the evening to classwork and to study that is even more confining, a certain amount of physical exer-

cise is a prime necessity. Studying may be done to best advantage only when the entire body is in good working order. A run-down physique is an actual hindrance to clear thought and intelligent study. A sluggish blood-circulation cannot nourish the brain properly. Get out and exercise, and you will find an actual reduction in the amount of time and energy that you have to put on those studies that are confining you.

Debating Societies to Meet

THE first meeting of the Columbian Debating Society will be held Friday, October the Fourth, in the North Hall of the Law School building. "Resolved, that the Presidential Tenure should be limited to Two Terms of Four Years Each," will be the subject for the debate of the evening. Messrs. Rose and Oberlin will discuss the affirmative, while Messrs. Coumbe and Barber will uphold the negative. An open discussion, limited to three minutes for each speaker will be held after the debate, which starts at 8 P. M.

The Needham Debating Society will hold their opening meeting in the South Hall of the Law School, Friday evening at eight o'clock. The subject for debate has not as yet been announced.

ARCHITECTURE COURSES

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Construction Sanitation and Heating and Ventilating by Assistant Professor A. L. Harris.

Must-Have Read It.

Poet (at stamp window): You have no reduced rates for manuscript?

Clerk: No, sir.

Poet: Well, I want stamps for this.

Clerk: One way or round trip?

—Boston Transcript.

Hazing

THE Trinity Chronicle says: "We hear whisperings of more results of hazing. A Freshman in Wake Forest has been in the hospital as the result of the pranks of Sophomores, and a lad in an Ohio prep school has contracted severe spinal trouble from kicks administered to him to help him push a pencil across the floor with his nose. A fine sense of humor that, but one which is indulged in with a few more serious consequences will undoubtedly call forth a nation-wide outburst against this relic of medievalism. Public opinion is hard to set in motion, but once started it moves all before it. It is fitting that the first move toward doing away with the custom should come from the colleges themselves. We are glad to note that the students of Randolph-Macon have passed resolutions to abolish all forms of hazing from their midst."

We are inclined to disagree with the "Chronicle" in regards to the abolition of all forms of hazing. It is true that when carried to extremes it is apt to result in serious consequences; but on the whole the milder forms of hazing not only teach the "Fresh" their proper station in college life, but also do much to promote college spirit.

Shelter

By the wide lake's margin I mark'd her lie—

The wide weird lake where the alders sigh—

A young fair thing, with shy soft eye;

And I deem'd that her thoughts had flown

To her home, and her brethren, and sisters dear,

As she lay there watching the dark, deep mere

All motionless, all alone.

Then I heard a noise, as of men and boys,

And a boisterous troop drew nigh.

Whither now will retreat those fairy feet?

Where hide till the storm pass by? One glance—the wild glance of a haunted thing—

She cast behind her; she gave one spring.

And there followed a splash and a broadening ring

On the lake where the alders sigh. She had gone from the ken of ungentle men.

Yet scarce did I mourn for that; For I knew she was safe in her own home then,

And the danger past, would appear again,

For she was a water rat. (Ex.)

Self Restraint.

It was a very hot day and the fat drummer who wanted the twelve-twenty train got through the gate at just twelve twenty-one. The ensuing handicap was watched with absorbed interest both from the train and the station platform. At its conclusion the breathless and perspiring knight of the road wearily took the back trail, and a vacant-faced "red cap" came out to relieve him of his grip. "Mister," he inquired, "was you tryin' to ketch that Pennsylvania train?" "No, my son," replied the patient man. "No; I was merely chasing it out of the yard."—Saturday Evening Post.

The Ready Retort.

Mrs. Winfall, a society woman, always allowed the housekeeper to hire her servants.

One morning, however, the mistress wished to interview the cook, who had been engaged only the day before

"What is your name?" inquired the lady.

"Mrs. McCarty," replied the cook.

"Do you expect to be called Mrs. McCarty?"

"Oh, no, ma'am, not if you have an alarm clock."—Harper's Magazine.



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College Fraternities

A DISTINCTIVE feature of American college life is the Greek-letter fraternity. A college fraternity is an organization maintaining chapters in a number of colleges and universities for certain social and literary purposes. Its name is a combination of two or three Greek letters, usually the initial letters of a Greek motto stating the purpose or aims of the fraternity, known only to the members. Its meetings are conducted under a carefully guarded ritual, and the proceedings are kept under the strictest secrecy. But in reality the element of secrecy is at the present day of relatively minor importance, except as regards the motto and ritual and the privacy of procedure in its meetings, there is very little that is secret about a fraternity.

The more important side of the Greek-letter fraternity is the character-building influence of the chapter home and the close companionship between the members. Almost all of the fraternities maintain chapter houses, in which some of the members reside. Here in the daily association of several congenial souls about a common table, and under the same roof, is found an atmosphere second only to that of the home itself. Since the colleges began to abandon their dormitories and leave students away from home to the uncertain influences of city boarding-houses and college-town lodgings, this work of the fraternity cannot be too highly commended. The home-like influences of the chapter house cannot but have a potent influence upon the character; and even those who do not live in the chapter house reap undoubted benefits from the intimate association of a number of congenial friends.

According to scope, fraternities are classed as honorary, general or literary, professional, and local. Membership in two fraternities of the same scope is forbidden by Greek ethics. But in the case of academic and professional fraternities, whose aims and ideals lie in altogether different fields, and therefore do not conflict, the rule of single membership is not con-

sidered inflexible. Hence, it is by no means unusual to find a student belonging to both an academic and a professional fraternity.

George Washington contains some of the best fraternities in the country, as may be ascertained from Baird's "Manual of Fraternities," 1905 edition. Fraternities here receive the encouragement of the Faculty, and some of the local chapters number members of the Faculty among their "brothers." These members have often furnished valuable counsel and guidance to the chapters, and have proved a source of strength. The school is what may be called a good fraternity field, without being fraternity ridden. Many prominent places in the activities of the University are filled by Greek-letter men, but not to an extent that makes impossible for a non-fraternity man to attain to positions of honor. On the contrary, "Greek" and "barbarian" are found sharing in the activities and honors for the glory of their common Alma Mater.

The following is a list of fraternities at George Washington, with statistics as to extent and membership. In all but a few cases the facts are supplied by members of the various chapters, and are authoritative for the present year:

GENERAL FRATERNITIES.

For Men.

SIGMA CHI.

Founded 1855. Fifty-seven active chapters. *Epsilon Chapter* installed June 10, 1864. Chapter House, 1432 M Street, Northwest.

KAPPA SIGMA.

Founded 1867. Seventy-five chapters. *Alpha Eta Chapter* installed February 23, 1892. Chapter House, 1100 Vermont Avenue, Northwest.

KAPPA ALPHA.

Founded 1865. Forty-nine chapters. *Alpha Nu Chapter* installed November 22, 1894. Chapter House, 1535 P Street, Northwest.

THETA DELTA CHI.

Founded 1848. Twenty-six active chapters. *Chi Denton Chapter* established March 26, 1896. Chapter House, 1304 Fairmont Street, Northwest.

PHI SIGMA KAPPA.

Founded 1873. Twenty-three chapters. *Lambda Chapter* installed October 7, 1899. Chapter House, 1717 S Street, Northwest.

DELTA TAU DELTA.

Founded 1859. Fifty chapters. *Gamma Eta Chapter* installed May 9, 1903. Chapter House, 1700 Fifteenth Street, Northwest.

SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON.

Founded 1856. Seventy-five chapters. *Washington City Rho Chapter* installed 1862, and re-established 1905. Chapter House, 1400 Chapin Street, Northwest (Craven Terrace).

SIGMA PHI EPSILON.

Founded 1901. Twenty-seven chapters. *District of Columbia Alpha Chapter* installed October 9, 1909. 1502 Vermont Avenue, Northwest.

For Women.

PI BETA PHI.

Founded 1867. Forty-three chapters. *Columbia Alpha Chapter* installed April 27, 1889. Chapter Hall, 2024 G Street, Northwest.

CHI OMEGA.

Founded 1896. Twenty-five chapters. *Phi Alpha Chapter* installed March 3, 1904; 9 members. Chapter Apartment, 2024 G Street, Northwest.

SIGMA KAPPA.

Founded 1874. Ten active and eight alumnae chapters. *Zeta Chapter* installed 1906; 6 members. Chapter Apartment, 2024 G Street, Northwest.

PROFESSIONAL FRATERNITIES.

PHI DELTA PHI.

Legal fraternity of forty-two chapters; Founded 1869 at the Michigan Law School. *Marshall Chapter* established 1884.

PSI OMEGA.

Dental fraternity; established at the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery. Thirty-nine chapters. *Beta Gamma Chapter* installed 1903.

PHI CHI.

Medical fraternity of twenty-eight chapters. Founded 1897. *Phi Chapter* installed March 21, 1904.

ALPHA KAPPA KAPPA.

Medical fraternity; established 1888; 36 chapters. *Alpha Zeta Chapter* installed April 27, 1905.

CHI ZETA CHI.

Medical fraternity; established 1902; 22 chapters. *Sigma Chapter* installed 1904.

LOCAL FRATERNITIES.

ALPHA BETA PHI.

Organized November, 1904. Chapter House, 716 19th Street, Northwest.

Engineering Notes

THE PATENT OFFICE begins to look like it is coming to life these days with the addition of several George Washington men. The two latest to join the crowd are Snelling and Buchanan of the class of 1913.

The Bureau of Yards and Docks of the Navy Department also has begun to take on the appearance of an annex of George Washington. Mr. Woodward of the class of 1905 and at present on the Engineering faculty is one of the Power Plant experts, and Mr. Frank Miller, of the class of 1906, is a structural steel designer. The latest additions to the force are Scott, Safford and Potbury of 1912 and H. W. Hodgkins of 1913.

The Engineering Society will miss Mr. Hessian who has registered at Boston Tech.

Gordon Sllarrow of '13 is busy out at the Geophysical Laboratory of the Carnegie Institution computing a twenty place table of ascending exponentials.

Mr. Earl Jeffrey who has spent two years at the University of Wisconsin has registered in the Engineering Department.

For the information of those who are still in doubt we would say that the familiar face behind the enlarged misplaced eyebrow is Tom Stockton who is with us once more.

Co-Ed Lunch

ON Thursday, the twenty-sixth of September, the co-ed luncheon was held in the Girls' Study-room in the main building. This is the annual luncheon given by the Upper-Class girls to those of the entering Class. Each girl was "tagged" with her name and class, thus enabling the girls to become acquainted more easily. There were about sixty girls present, about one-third of whom were freshmen.

Janet Walker, '15, was toast-mistress. In calling for responses, she likened the different classes to the four stages of a river, the spring, the brook, the river and the river emptying into the ocean. These toasts were responded to by Marjori Barnes, '16, Ruth Ayler, '15, Esther Galbraith, '14, and Hilda Meichson, '13. All of the toasts were clever and well given. The whole lunch was very informal and the girls were made to feel that a real welcome was extended to them.

First Meeting of The Aero Club

THE WELL-KNOWN and justly famous Aero Club held its first meeting of the present college term Saturday, September 27, 1912,

with Howard W. Hodgkins, President of the organization in the chair. The full membership of the club was present, and the meeting was pronounced a very satisfactory one from all points of view. A very interesting paper on "Methods of construction of the rudder" was presented by Mr. J. Paul Bushnell. A number of applications for membership were considered. The preponderance of opinion seemed to be that a membership which included all the applications would be too large to be consistent with satisfactory research and experimental work. The worth of the applicants was, however, so nearly the same, that the club found it impossible to decide among them, and accordingly that part of the work was continued until the next meeting.

The representative of the HATCHET begs to thank the club for a very enjoyable evening.

TEACHERS COLLEGE DEAN
PASSES AWAY

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"Prof. Hough was all his life a scholar in its truest sense. Learned as he was after graduation from the University of Michigan (Ph. M.), he continued his acquiring of knowledge in the famous universities of Heidelberg, Halle, Berlin, Paris, and Oxford. The erudition of four great countries left its distinct imprint on him, and hence we perceived in him the German philosopher, the French gentleman, the English conservative, and not less of the practical American.

"His interests and sympathies extended beyond the confines of his subject. He delved not only in philosophy, but also into every phase of intellectual human achievement. He was conversant in the arts, sciences, literature, and history, and fully at home in the realm of philosophy. To those of us who had the fortune to study under him he was a real source of inspiration and information. He would modestly expound before us the ethical principles, logical rules, and philosophical theories of the great ancient and modern thinkers. Under and with some of the latter he spent years of study and research.

"By his death the academic world has sustained a great loss. He will long be remembered as an inspiring teacher, an able administrator, a fine citizen, and a friend of all who knew him.

Prof. Hough has bodily passed away from our midst but his spirit will always linger in our memories, as long as we will be possessed of that faculty.

REUBEN FINKELSTEIN.

A. B. Teachers' College, 1911.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 29, 1912.

The Student Y. M. C. A. held its first Chapel exercise Monday, September 30. President Maxson presided. Mr. Gilmore of the Central Y. M. C. A. gave a short talk on the origin of the Y. M. C. A.

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THE HATCHET is officially filed away in the records of the university as "The Official Organ of the Faculty and Student Body." This means that it is a part of the University, the property of both faculty and students alike and not an institution controlled by a few for the exploitation of the many.

As the official organ of the Faculty, it will contain all faculty and university announcements which are of interest to the students. All news of sufficiently universal interest to all departments of the University pertaining to the Faculty, the policy of the institution or any similar affair will receive publicity through the HATCHET columns.

As the organ of the student body, this paper will publish any articles submitted by individual students or organizations of students, which shall be of general interest. For each class and each department of the University space will be reserved for the announcements or records of those classes and departments.

It shall be the object of the editor and management to publish fearlessly all matter which makes for the benefit and uplift of the institution. An attempt will be made to poster all student interests and activities which are for the general good of both the students and the University as a whole. It is the desire of the HATCHET staff that the paper be a medium through which faculty and students shall be drawn closer together.

From time to time a review of political and industrial conditions in the world today. This will, it is hoped, afford interesting and instructive reading matter for those whose fortune it is to subscribe.

In a word then, the HATCHET is an institution which occupies a middle space, a sort of meeting ground for students and faculty where the wishes and wants of each will find expression.

Be A Wise?

JUST a word of advice particularly to those who are entering our college world for the first time. Do not forget what we are here for. Recitations are necessary evils; but remember that much good may arise from adversity, and as long as we must go to recitations, why

not prepare for them and cultivate a little gray matter? Another thing—the professors and instructors are here to help us. If we assume an attitude which they may interpret by "teach me anything, if you can," they are working under almost insurmountable difficulties. Give them a little help, and see how much easier and more enjoyable a recitation or lecture hour becomes.

We owe all this to ourselves. We owe much to the University. Much of this debt may be liquidated by supporting College and University activities. Go out for the athletic teams, the musical clubs, the dramatic club; the HATCHET, and make the other man work just a little harder to hold his job. This thing works out very nicely. The fifth man pushes the fourth, the fourth the third, and by the time we come to the first he is working twice as hard, and doing twice as well. Try it and you will find that the University is not the only one to profit.

Get acquainted. Develop your classmates and let them develop you. Be cordial to all, and friendly with a few.

Success and happiness to all of us, and may George Washington have the best year yet, because her students are working and striving for the best yet.

Announcement

ALREADY a few positions on the HATCHET staff have been filled. There are many, however, which still remain for those willing to compete for them. All who desire to gain places as department editors, associate editors or assistant editor, will please submit their names to the editor or manager at once.

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Chips**Very Nice About It.**

At a meeting of business men a discussion was started regarding a banker who has the reputation for hard bargaining.

"Oh, well," said one man, "he isn't so bad. I went to see him to get a loan of \$5,000 and he treated me very courteously."

"Did he lend you the money?" was asked.

"No," was the reply, "he didn't. But he hesitated a minute before he refused."—*Kansas City Star.*

A Legal Definition.

Son—Father, what is bankruptcy?

Father—Bankruptcy, my son, is when you put your money in your hip pocket and give your creditors your overcoat.

—*Fliegende Blaetter.*

Lost and Found.

The ferryman, whilst plying over a water which was only slightly agitated, was asked by a timid lady in his boat whether any persons were ever lost in that river. "Oh, no," said he, "we always finds 'em agin, the next day."

There was a young man from Perth,

Who was born on the day of his birth,

He was married, they say,

On his wife's wedding day

And he died on his last day on earth.

Not For Him.

"And," concluded the Sunday-school teacher, "if you are a good boy, Tommy, you will go to Heaven and have a gold crown on your head."

"Not much," said Tommy; "I had one of them things put on a tooth oncet."—*Ladies' Home Journal.*

Of More Import.

The daughters of the household, ardent suffragists, were talking politics.

"Taft will sweep the country," declared Mabel.

"Wilson will sweep the country," asserted Maud.

"Roosevelt will sweep the country," answered Margaret.

At this point dad took a hand.

"Never mind about who's going to sweep the country," said he. "Who's going to sweep the kitchen?"

Why He Was Generous.

An Englishman who had lost both arms and both legs was obliged to solicit alms. As he sat on his street corner one day an Irishman passed by and dropped fifty cents into his hat. Almost immediately the Irishman returned and gave him fifty cents more.

"You are a good man," said a kindlooking old lady, "to give that unfortunate man so much."

"Faith, I'd give him more if I could," said the Irishman, "for he's the only Englishman I have ever seen thrimmed to suit me."—*Kansas City Star.*

There was a sound of revelry by night. The Bloggses were giving a party. Mr. Bloggs had just obliged with the touching ballad, "Tis Love that Makes the World Go Round," and Master Bloggs seized the opportunity to sneak behind the screen with father's pipe. Shortly after it was observed that Willie wasn't well. His face was pallid, and his eyes stood out. Cried out Mrs. Bloggs: "Goodness, child, what's the matter? I do believe you have been smoking!" Willie feebly shook his head. "Taint that ma," he replied untruthfully. "If its true what father's been singing about, I-I must—be—in—love!"—*Argonaut.*

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Fraternity Notes

SIGMA Phi Epsilon began its year with a repetition of its fall "housewarming" of last year, for members only. A good number of active and alumni members gathered at the Chapter House on Iowa Circle on Wednesday, September 18, in an informal smoker. Addresses were given by several of the more prominent members, and a sizable sum was raised for adding to the furnishings of the Chapter House.

Theta Delta Chi has moved up on the hill and is now located at 1304 Fairmont Street.

Kappa Alpha have moved also and now have a house on the north side of P street between 15th and 16th streets.

Alpha Beta Phi has come down town near College and now has a house at 716 19th street.

Delta Tau Delta was also struck by the fall moving fever and is now to be found in a house at 1903 N. street.

Last Saturday night was the scene of a very pleasant smoker at The Phi Sigma Kappa house. A number of the Freshmen spent a very enjoyable evening as guests. Among the Faculty present were Dean Gregory and Professor Jones.

Association Suggested

While it is at present of course, certain that there will be no football team this year, the other sports are at present undecided upon. The existing athletic deficit of two years ago of approximately eighteen hundred dollars was cut in half year before last and again cut in half last year so that there is at present a deficit of between four and five hundred dollars.

This must be cleared off before other athletics under a general athletic association with the official sanction of the University can be attempted. And naturally if it is to result in such action this year something must be done at once.

The only athletics under the sanction of the University in the past two years has been the track team and the annual indoor games have been kept up and a small squad have entered a few of the other meets. This has been accomplished by the continued effort of a few men who have worked with but little backing from the student body. As these efforts have uniformly led to a financial deficit though not a large one in either case, it seems unlikely that Mr. Slarrow who has been appointed manager of the Track Team for this year will care to undertake a meet unless it is under the sanction and supervision of an active and enthusiastic athletic association.

The several important student organizations should take up at the earliest opportunity this question of a new athletic association. As soon as the classes are organized it will be brought before the Association of Class Presidents when

that is formed for the year and at about the same time, the most active "rushing" season being over, it is probable that the Interfraternity Association will be re-formed for the year.

The Pyramid Honor Society, composed as it is of the men who have been most active in the college in the various student affairs and entirely of Seniors, is very well fitted to take an important part in this re-establishment and no doubt will do so.

Any action taken will, of course, be under the sanction and with the supervision of the Committee on Student Activities of which Professor Reudiger is chairman.

A suggestion worthy of careful consideration has been made by several of the men who have had experience in student activities. Briefly outlined, they suggest the immediate sale of tickets at one dollar each entitling the holder to membership in the George Washington University Athletic Association. A month should be devoted to this sale and at the end of this time elections would be held to secure officers and an executive council. Naturally only members of the Association would be entitled to vote or to hold office. The funds of the Association as secured by membership fees would be applied toward the present deficit and if insufficient, further amounts secured through the cooperation of the various student organizations mentioned above. In view of the very active support given the campaign for donations last year, it would appear that a very large membership should be assured.

Is an inducement to join the Association the offer could be made that members can secure tickets to the Indoor Meet at half price and in the event of the formation of Basketball and Baseball teams a little later in the year members should be able to secure season tickets at a reduction in each case of the dollar originally paid in.

Broker: Our bookkeeper has stolen \$50,000 from us and lost it all at Skinnem & Shark's.

Partner: Well, we'll get him a job at Skinnem & Shark's and let him do his trading with us.—*Wall Street News.*

EDITOR ANNUAL RESIGNS

(Continued from page 1.)

He received an appointment as an interne in the Providence Hospital last summer and will not resume his study at college this fall.

An election will be held at the next meeting of the Class Presidents to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Calver. There are several men in the University who will make excellent editors.

The photographer has not yet been settled upon. By the end of next week however everything will be arranged for taking the pictures. All Seniors are requested to get theirs taken as soon as possible. The regular fee of \$1.25 will be charged. The remaining student body may have their pictures put in for the small sum of thirty-five cents. As this is a student's book each one should have his picture in it. See that yours get there.

WASHINGTON, D. C.,
September 8, 1912.

DR. L. H. ENGLISH,
President Class Presidents' Association,
George Washington University.

DEAR DOCTOR:

I regret that certain events have occurred which will make it impossible for me to attend College this winter with any regularity. That being the case I deem it better to tender my resignation as editor for the Cherry Tree for the coming year, lest the question should arise of my eligibility.

Trusting that the year will be a success to the College and the Annual, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

GEORGE W. CALVER.

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The Engineering Society

THE Engineering Society announce that the first meeting of the year will be held Saturday, October Fifth, immediately after the last hour. The meeting will be a very short business session.

The second meeting will probably be held the following Saturday and the officers for the year will be nominated at that time.

The Engineering Society appeals to all Engineering students of whatever class and all are urged to attend and take an active part in the meeting. A number of interesting lectures are arranged during the year and are given by men of prominence in various engineering lines. The Society is in every way a valuable adjunct to the classroom work.

Chemical Society

THE University Chemical Society opens another year with the brightest of prospects and with the same high aims and endeavors that have characterized it since its inception. Closing last year with an active membership of fifty, vigorous efforts will be made this year to double the membership and to make the society the most active student organization in the University. That the Society has filled a long felt want and is an efficient and helpful institution cannot be denied. Every student taking a chemistry course, no matter how elementary, should feel obligated to join the Society because it gives him the opportunity for closer association with those having common interests and surrounds him with an atmosphere conducive to the putting forth of his best efforts.

Professor Uhlman of Lehigh University, in speaking of the Chemical Society of that institution said that he considered the hour which the student spent in attending the meeting of the Society to be one of the most valuable in the month's work. There he had the opportunity to express his ideas, to meet chemists employed in the outside world and with whom he might not otherwise become acquainted and to keep up, through the journals, with the latest developments in chemical science and industry.

The Chemical Society at George Washington is particularly favored in its proximity to such organizations as the American Chemical Society and the American Association for the Advancement of Science, which recognize the society as one of the factors promoting interest and enthusiasm in scientific work. Members of the Society are invited to attend the meetings of these national organizations and are thus given the opportunity to meet the large number of scientists located in Washington.

The purpose of the University Chemical Society as stated in its constitution is to promote interest in chemistry among the students of chemistry in the University, and this is accomplished through its regular monthly meetings, when

abstracts of current chemical literature are reported and papers are presented and discussed. Occasionally some prominent chemist addresses the Society and its friends and throughout the year inspection trips are made to nearby manufacturing establishments.

At the annual election held at the end of last college year the following were elected: President, H. A. Lepper; Vice-President, A. S. Thatcher; Secretary, D. C. Smith; Treasurer, J. N. Taylor; Executive Committee, The officers and J. F. Brockwell, L. T. Leonard and E. Stewart.

All students who have taken or are taking a course in chemistry at the University are invited to join the Society at its first meeting which will be held Friday evening, October 10, in Chemistry Lecture Hall.

Chemical Society Personals

PROFESSOR MUNROE, Honorary President of the Chemical Society, was a prominent member of the Eighth International Congress of Applied Chemistry which met recently in Washington and New York.

At the annual meeting of the Association of Official Agricultural Chemists recently held here, Dr. Wiley was elected Honorary President.

President Lepper reports a very enjoyable time at the Garden Party recently given at the White House in honor of the delegates to the Eighth International Congress of Applied Chemistry.

Mr. Thatcher attended the reception at the New National Museum while Mr. Stewart attended all the meetings which were held in the "interesting town" of New York.

Mr. Giantvalley pursued chemical courses at the University of Minnesota Summer School.

Mr. Phillips returns to college after a very pleasant summer at Harpers Ferry and vicinity.

Mr. Burdette made a short trip north during the summer leaving havoc in his wake.

Mr. Thompson reports interesting studies in the land of the Sphinx.

Mr. Baston is back once more after an extended visit in the University Hospital.

Our sincerest congratulations are extended to Mr. Walton upon his becoming a Benedict.

Was it Mr. Pozen or Mr. Lodholz who remarked that he hoped to confer in the not distant future the degree of M.R.S.?

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Medical Notes

QUITE a number of students gathered during the afternoon of the 25th instant to hear Dean Borden's talk to the students at the beginning of the 92d session of the Medical School.

His talk was mainly devoted to a brief review of progress in medical education during the past few years.

The American Medical Association, he said, had in recent years attained a position of considerable influence in the matter of the standardization of medical school curriculums. All medical schools are investigated by the Association and the results published, the schools being grouped into classes A, B and C, according to the standards of their curriculums. This has led to efforts to raise the standards of nearly all medical schools, and to meet the requirements of the association for membership in Class A some schools have had to close their doors, the number having been reduced during the past few years from 166 to 136. We are proud that George Washington University Medical Department has been able to maintain its place as one of the fifty Class A schools.

Many States have co-operated with the Association to the end of improving medical education by passing more stringent laws in regard to educational requirements of practitioners of medicine. Graduates of schools of Class B are more limited in the field of their practise than those of schools of Class A. Our school has been registered in New York State under the new increased requirements of that State.

A thousand hours work a year for four years are now required of medical students. Class A schools must have a certain number of full-time instructors; to meet this requirement there has been added to the Medical Faculty this year Professor Kollog, of Anatomy, Doctor Hornaday, Associate Professor of Chemistry, and Doctor Hunter, instructor in Anatomy.

Since the close of the year the annual report of results of State Board examinations has been published; in this report the schools are classified according to the per cent of failure of their graduates before the State Boards. In the first class are placed those schools whose graduates run less than ten per cent of failures. Our school finds its place in this class, having a failure percentage of 5.7; Georgetown University Medical Department is represented by 15.8 per cent of failures, and Howard University with 19.6 per cent. All of the last graduating class who have taken the State Board Examinations have passed. The excellent standing of George Washington University Medical Department is evident.

This doubtless accounts for the gradual increase in the Freshman enrollment during the past few years, being in the past four years 12, 21, 33, and 41, respectively. This enrollment of 41 in the Freshman Class this year is especially good, in view of the fact that every matriculant has been required to have the full college entrance re-

quirements of fifteen units. Eleven new students were enrolled with advance standing, making a total of 50 new students this year.

The Medical Faculty have adhered to their policy of gradually improving the facilities of the school. The new tungsten lights all over the building is one evidence of this. The whole building was in ship-shape condition at the opening of school. Doubtless the \$10 breakage deposit required of students now will have a wholesome effect in eliminating the reckless acts perpetrated upon the school furniture and perhaps we shall soon have more reason to point to the excellent furnishings of our school.

Silence, No Smoking.

This ominous sign greets the student as he enters the Medical Library, a rather startling innovation to Upper Classmen, which may have a tendency to temporarily depopulate the library, except for those who wish to study there. Doctor Craig says it is to be a place for study this year.

This change has grown out of a new requirement upon medical schools that their libraries shall be in charge of a graduate of medicine. Dr. Henry K. Craig has been employed as librarian and he has put the library in a decidedly better working condition, having gone over the whole collection of books, indexed and classified them and has put about 1,400 volumes on the shelves as of value for reference.

He found a number of valuable old works, which have been made accessible, among them being Pott and Cullen on Surgery, Boorhaave on Therapeutics, Swenten's Commentary on Materia Medica, the Original Lectures of Cooper, Hoffman System of Medicine and others. A copy of Dr. Samuel Johnson's general dictionary dated 1760, was one of the old books unearthed.

About 200 new books are being added to the library, many of them having been contributed by Medical alumni. The Dental Department is also to have a complete set of modern texts on dental subjects placed in the library.

Current medical magazines and files of old issues are also on the shelves available for use by students and physicians.

A lot of new book shelves were placed in the library during the summer to accommodate the changes. The room will be open to students from 9 a. m., to 6 p. m.

Personal Notes Medical Department.

1913 Graduates.

Dr. Milburn is resident physician at Casualty Hospital.

Drs. Sloat, LaGarde, Eckhardt, and Hunter are internes in the University Hospital.

Drs. Fitz-Hugh and Scarito are internes at Children's Hospital.

Dr. Gray is resident physician at Sibley Hospital.

4th Year Class.

Dr. Henneberger is interne and at present acting resident physician at Casualty Hospital.

Dr. English is externe at Garfield Hospital.

3d Year Class.

Passenger is pharmacist at Children's Hospital.

Fields is in the clinical laboratory of Children's Hospital.

Taylor is again assistant in pharmacology and physiology laboratories.

2d Year Class.

Rowlson is in clinical laboratory of Garfield Hospital.

Basil will not be in school this year though he was about the school for several days. He has been sick most of the summer and has decided to spend a year up in the mountains roughing it before continuing his course.

Alumni Notes

FIRST Lieut. Loren H. Call, Coast Artillery Corps, has been assigned to the College Park Aviation School for aeronautical duty. Lieut. Call graduated from George Washington in 1906.

Mr. R. H. Harrison, B. S. in C. E., 1912, is employed as a student engineer of highways in the Agricultural Department.

Mrs. Ellen Egerton Tierney announces the marriage of her daughter, Ellen Vincent, to Mr. Reamer Welker Argo, on Saturday August tenth, nineteen hundred and twelve, Buffalo, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Argo are at present living in Pittsburgh, where Mr. Argo is employed by the Westinghouse Company, and is studying at the University of Pittsburgh.

The marriage of Mr. G. P. Walton, '12, and Miss Ruth Alden, '10, has been announced.

Mr. Bryan Morse, the star quarter-back of the 1909 team, is coaching the Western High School team.

Curt B. Mueller, Law, '08, is counsel for the Herrmann Specialty Sales Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, a concern to promote and encourage the marketing of new patented devices.

He: I have a compliment for you dear.

"What is it?"

"Mrs. Jones says you have the handsomest husband in town."

"I don't know what to do with my son. He's so irresponsible."
"Get him on the Weather Bureau."—*Washington Herald*.

Books New and Old—English Stories and American

IT IS somewhere near a hundred years since Sydney Smith asked his famous and scornful question: "Who reads an American book?" and it must be for nearly the same length of time (although the record in this particular is not so accurate) that Americans have been indignantly answering the question, or explaining away the sneer at American books, or disabling Mr. Smith's judgment. We have had a hundred years to catch up with our British cousins and yet our literature, particularly our imaginative literature—fiction and poetry—remains hopelessly inferior to theirs, except in one department, that of the short story.

There is no lack of reasons for this inferiority. The literary page of any newspaper is sure to contain some alleged explanation of it as often as once a week. One observer says it is because the brains of America go to the invention of machines, the devising of new business methods, or the organization of commerce and industry. But these activities are perhaps as great in Germany, yet there is no lack there of fine achievements in literature. Another critic says that our dearth of historic background is the cause of the paucity of good novels and good poetry. There may be something in that, yet four hundred years of history would seem enough to build against. The difficulty with these and other explanations is that they fail to explain why, while our novels are not so good as the British novels, our short stories are better than theirs.

It seems unquestionable that a greater body of good short stories has come from American than from English writers, that no English short story writer has equalled Poe or O. Henry, and that no single English short story is as good as some of the stories by these writers, except perhaps the best of Kipling's.

Here again many reasons might be given. Our writing is done for busy people, who want their literature in small doses, strong and sharp-flavored. The British reading public has more leisure to appreciate subtle flavors and does not demand so much action. The essence of the short story is the single dramatic incident, while in the novel the gradual unfolding of plot and character is required. In fine psychology, as well as in a certain richness and completeness of the picture, the British novel excels, while in rapidity, in tense and exciting situations, and in a just proportioning of beginning, middle, and end, the American short story must bear off the palm. LUPUS.

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FOOTBALL RULES CHANGE

Aim to Strengthen Offense—Forward Pass Altered—Field Shortened

A NUMBER of important changes in the football rules have been made this year, the chief aim being to strengthen the offense. The first game of the season between the Carlisle Indians and Albright, fulfilled the purposes of the changes to a certain extent, showing an open game with considerable scoring. There was less punting than before, which was one of the most desired changes.

Under the new rules a touchdown may be scored by a forward pass over the goal line. The proviso is made that the forward pass must be legally caught by the passing side in a zone bounded by the goal line and a line ten yards beyond or outside of it. That is, a forward pass from the playing field and completed within this ten-yard zone, is a touchdown. If incomplete it is a touchback.

In order to allow for this ten yard zone, the length of the playing field has been shortened from 110 to 100 yards.

Another important change provides for an additional down, so that a distance of ten yards must now be made in four downs, instead of three. This method was preferred to that of keeping the same number of downs and reducing the distance to be gained. The onside kick, in which a kicked ball striking the ground could be recovered by either side, has been abolished.

In order to make one touchdown worth as much as two goals from the field, its value has been increased from five to six points. Another of this year's changes is that a forward pass may be thrown any distance. The 20-yard zone of the last two years is abolished.

Hereafter the kick-off will be made from the kicking side's 40-yard line instead of from the center of the field, making the distance to the opposing side's goal line five yards more than before. In case of a touchback, the ball is to be brought out to the 20-yard line instead of the 25-yard line.

The intermissions between the first and second, and third and fourth quarters have been reduced from two to one minute. The field judge has been abolished.

Another change was made regarding the winning of the toss at the beginning of a game; the winner having the choice of kicking or choosing a goal and letting the other side do the kicking. It was ruled that the side losing the toss shall have the same privilege at the beginning of the second half.

President's Chapel

THE FIRST of the special Chapel services, which are conducted each week by President Stockton, was held on Thursday. The Admiral first welcomed all the students back to college and then spoke upon the subject of the college student's need for some religious ser-

vices and the good he may and should derive from them. The commencement, held at the end of each year, is the beginning of "life" for those who graduate. Each new school year is a beginning too, the beginning of our scholastic life. But it should be more, it should be the beginning of our character building. Education, though the primary purpose of the college course, is not all that may be or should be acquired there. Education plus character is the ideal and necessary combination. Without character it is nothing or worse than nothing. The time we spend in college is that of character formation. The personality is then being constructed. It is during this susceptible period that the foundations of our later life are laid and we must see to it that they are well grounded. This process may be aided by attendance at the Chapel services and by membership and participation in Christian Associations and the Brotherhood of St. Andrews. Such opportunities for the proper rounding out of life and character must not be missed. The attendance at the service was 53, within one of the record, which was established last year.

Important Track Notice

THE appointment of M. G. Starrow, '13, as Manager of the Track Team, has been confirmed by the committee on student activities, and all men desiring to run on the University Track Team should confer with him without delay at his office, Room 33, 2023 G street. All candidates for assistant managerships should also report for instructions immediately.

The Tender Spot.

"What have you done toward punishing lawbreakers?"

"Well," replied the shady police officer, "I have done a great deal toward hurting their feelings by taking their money away from them."—*Washington Star*.

The Inevitable Result.

"I am surprised to hear that Dubbleigh has broken down," said Stubbs. "He used to have a splendid constitution."

"Yes," said Wigglethorpe, but he began amending it."—*Harper's Weekly*.

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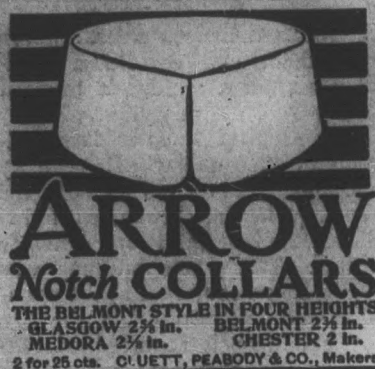
Young husband: What a glorious day! I could dare anything, face anything, on a day like this!

Wife: Come on down to the milliner's.—*Fliegende Blaetter*.

The Wall Street Journal, in imitation of Prof. Irving Fisher's use of mathematical symbols in economics, solves the political problem by the following equation:

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